

SHOT AND BOYCOTT

MUCH ADD ABOUT TOTAL OFFICIALS.

and Assistant Fired at—Said to be Thoroughly Incompetent.

The Register yesterday gave information of an alleged attempt to shoot the assistant postmaster at Lake City, whose name is Brailsford.

Further facts learned yesterday from a gentleman living in Williamsburg county, indicate that possibly there is to be a repetition of a Georgia affair in this state.

The postmaster at Lake City is a

Baker, of course, believes that he was shot because of his appointment, and that it was after the nomination that the assassin was hired. He says that he has never been said about it.

affair occurred," but before he took charge of the office. He immediately informed the authorities at Washington, but they evidently didn't consider him enough to bother with, as the government informed him that it had no jurisdiction in the matter, as the shooting did not occur in the post office. The Duke had been informed

He informed the postoffice department later on, that the white people, who do all the postal business of the town, were refusing to patronize the postoffice, but mailed their letters on the train. As Baker's salary comes from the cancellation of stamps, this was a more serious matter to him than being shot, for it meant he would have no work for glory only. The government came to his rescue and ordered all mail slots in cars to be locked when

These two reasons: first, because the postmaster and his assistant are thoroughly ignorant of the postoffice; and second, because the postoffice is situated in a negro cabin, half a mile from the business portion of the town. The postoffice is in a pasture, and near the pasture gate. The pasture is handed out of a window and there are no accommodations whatever for patrons of the office. There is no protection from the weather. No wonder the people do not want to conduct important business in such a place and with

It is said that the postmaster and his assistant have no more idea of what a money order is, for instance, than a child has of Sunday. They have sense enough to acknowledge this fact, and when a money order is asked for they frankly state that they don't know anything about them, and advise people to try the express company, which they are forced to do.

The shooting of Brailsford, the assistant, occurred outside the postoffice, and, hence, the government is without jurisdiction.

The gentleman who furnished the facts related, stated that Rev. A. McCa. Pittman got on his bicycle, and rode to the pasture to get the rode. He rode through the pasture, and gate to reach the postoffice cabin, and his mail was handed to him by Braithford, who very kindly consented to open and close the pasture gate for him. While performing this service, a shot was fired at him.

Mr. Pittman called out at once to the snooter to be careful, as he was about. No more firing occurred, and it was found that several buckshot had lodged in Braithford's anatomy, but none struck a vital spot.

The postmaster telegraphed this to Washington but seems to have gotten

It is supposed the two worthies will continue to hold their jobs and possibly be targets in the future for after dark gunners, until some great commotion is created in the country.

Lake City people have had considerable trouble with their republican postmasters. Harrison appointed

place, and the people transferred their business to the Scranton postoffice. The authorities soon realized that an incompetent man had been put in of office, and had him removed. Whether the present administration will follow the example, remains to be seen, but the people of Lake City think time will settle their postoffice troubles.—Columbia Register.

One Lone Hobber.

A dispatch from Keokuk, Iowa, says

by a mask and armed with a revolver, attempted to rob the passengers on the north-bound St. Louis, Keokuk and Northwestern train which arrived there early Thursday morning. A minstrel troupe and a theatrical company were aboard the cars. The robbers got on at LaGrange, about forty miles below here. Soon after the train left LaGrange the desperado, who had taken a seat in the smoking car, put a mask on his face, and drawing a revolver, started through the car. Picking up a woman, he demanded the money

was a scramble to get out of his way but some of the men in the coach stood their ground and attempted to disarm the bandit, who fired three shots from his revolver, none of which took effect. He lost his mask in the

seuff; and finally escaped from the platform from which he sprang to the ground while the train was going at full speed. The bandit secured a booty.

Law Makes Held Up.

A committee from the Georgia House of Representatives, composed of some of the most prominent politicians in the State, was Wednesday, held

up in a freight car in the Okefenokee Swamp and forced to give up a considerable sum of money. Some of the members of the committee were Representatives Ennis, Thomas, Craig, Burwell, Cannon, Boynton and others. They were to visit a convict camp in

the swamp for the purpose of inspection. There were put in a freight car and hauled thirty-three miles over rough road to the camp. On the return trip, when in the midst of the swamp, two men stopped the train and

demanded \$1.50 fare from each for the road. Under protest the amount was paid, but the train was stopped again and the bogus conductor returned and demanded more money. He was given all there was in the party and the journey was completed.